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WANTS HIS STREET GRADED.

Property Owner on North Rebecca Avenue Voices a Complaint.

Editor of THE TRIBUNE: Dear Sir—Will you kindly grant space in your valuable paper for a few lines concerning a matter of public interest? The property owners of North Rebecca avenue have demanded of the city councils the grading of the street, as the same is impassable and in a bad santary condition. Although an ordinant are condition. sanitary condition. Although an ordinance has passed the councils for the work to be done, they now refuse to carry out the same, because it has been found that some people's property will not be benefited thereby and that such people may sue for damages.

bought a lot, some time ago, on this street, with the idea of building my self a home as soon as I could do so. The location of my lot was just right in relation to the proposed street. Having everything ready to begin building I applied to the city engineer for the grade of the street, which grade company a new trial was also refused. compelled me to build a foundation 12 feet high in front and 20 feet high in the rear. Vain was it for me to ask that the grade be lowered, or to ask our ward councilman to cause such to be lowered. I had to build my house according to the fixed grade.

Now some of us are in such a position that if the city does not grade the street we cannot make a decent home. either in appearance or convenience Some of us are poor miners or laborers and ought certainly not to be deprived of the benefits of our hard earned savings. On a recent occasion we were told by the city solicitor, amongst other things, the following: "I do not know why the people of the central city should pay damages on streets which are on the outskirts." We ask "why do we pay taxes?" Many of us have paid heavy taxes for over ten years. and not one penny has ever been expended on our street, there not being even one light on the street. We do not own horses and carriages. The roads are worn by those who do, tradesmen and others who derive their jiving partly from us, and why should not the care of the street come from

If these things are as they seem, viz, the poor man deprived of his rights and the supreme law of the state slighted, it is useless to look for the enlargement of the city, or to be patriotic and proud of our American citi-zenship. Your obedient servant, FRANK NICHTER.

In Memoriam-George W. Miller. FOR THE TRIBUNE.

Whereas, For the first time since the in-corporation of 1864, of the Cemetery asso-ciation of Dunmore, a vacancy has been caused in its board of trustees, by the re-moval of one of the members, from time

We, the trustees now remaining, bow in humble submission to our Heavenly Father, who with inscrutable wisdom has taken from us our colleague and friend, George W. Miller, for whom we mourn; he was ever faithful in attendance, efficient in service and devotet to the best in-terests of the association.

We deplore the seemingly unfortunate condition that permitted only two of our number to be present at the funeral; but we tender sympathy to the widow of our departed friend in her great affliction. departed friend in her great affliction.

Personally, we regret the loss to the community with which George W. Miller was more closely identified, during a period of more than forty years, and filling many elective positions of trust, but none of worldly profit; as one truly said of him, "He was a Christian citizen," and the good that he done on earth will be only known to those who shall meet him in haven.

We hereby request the secretary to engress the foregoing upon the minutes of

gross the foregoing upon the minutes of the board, to send a copy thereof to the widow of the deceased and furnish copies for publication in two of the Scanton

daily papers.

John B. Smith, William R. Stone, E. C. Fuller, Henry Beyea, Ambrose Mulley.

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THE TRIBUNE will soon publish a arefully compiled and classified list of the leading wholesale, banking, manufacting and professional interests of Scranton and vicinity. The edition will be bould in book form, beautifully illustrated with photogravure views of our public buildings, business blocks, streets, etc. The circulation is on a plan that cannot fail of good results to those concerned as well as the city at large. Representatives of The Tribune will call upon those whose Names.

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Not Always Beneficial.

fused-Non-Suit Stricken Off in the Case of Mrs. Clayton Against Hill & Connell-A New Trial Granted in the Highfield Case.

Judge Smith was too ill to appear in court Saturday, and Judge Gunster handed down a batch of opinions for him. The opinions disposed of all the cases before Judge Smith, whose term

of office expires today.

During the months that Judge Smith has been on the bench, he has proved himself a very capable judge, and has won much warm admiration from members of the bar by his unfailing courtesy in the trial of cases.

One of the opinions handed down was written by Judge Smith in the case of Patrick Egan against the city of Scran-ton. Mr. Egan sued the city to recover damages for land taken from him in the widening of West Lackawanna avenue. The case was tried in October and a verdict of \$25 was returned for the plaintiff.

A new trial was at once applied for and Judge Smith in his opinion grants it. He scorches the jury for bringing

in a verdict for \$25. in a verdict for \$25.

"It cannot be said that the verdict is based on the evidence," he declares.

"The finding of the jury cannot be said to tear any reasonable relation to the evidence. If the plaintiff was entitled to any damages at all (and the weight find the said to the said that the verdict is based on the evidence," he declares the said that the verdict is based on the evidence, where the said that the verdict is based on the evidence, it is said that the verdict is based on the evidence, it is said that the verdict is based on the evidence, it is said that the verdict is said to the said that the verdict is said to the said that the said that the said that the verdict is said that t of evidence, in the opinion of the country of evidence, in the opinion of the country showed that he was) the amount allowed by the jury is under the evidence, clearly insufficient. The verdict is evidently the result of an effort to compromise, but while it is the duty of jurgers to reconcile their differences. of jurors to reconcile their differences and arrive at a satisfactory result, yet the finding, even of a compromise, must be predicated on the facts as disclosed by the testimony.

THE VERDICT UNSUSTAINED. "There is not a scintilla of evidence upon which the verdict in this case can be sustained. It is rather in disregard of the evidence on both sides, not even sustainable on any intelligent theory of averaging the number of witnesses or the amounts mentioned by them, nor upon the testimony of one or more of the witnesses assuming that one or more was disbelieved. A verdict based on such a palpable disregard of the evi-dence should not be allowed to stand. Rule for new trial is made absolute." On the day following the trial of the Egan case the suit of Michael Larkin against the city, arising also from the taking of land for the widening of West Lackawanna avenue, was tried and a verdict of \$1,400 returned. The city applied for a new trial, but in an opinion Judge Smith refused to grant

A non-suit was stricken off and a new trial allowed in the case of Mrs. Stella Clayton against Hill & Connell. A change of venue was refused in the ejectment suit of I-aac B. Feltz against the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western company and a new trial was allowed in the case of S. B. Mott against Henry company a new trial was also refused. The case has been tried twice in this county and was before the supreme court once. The injunction in the case of M. P. Kelly against the city of Scranton Was continued.

EXCEPTIONS OVERBULED. In the matter of exceptions to the report of viewers with regard to the grading of Delaware street Judge Smith overruled the following.
Second—The benefits assessed exceed the

damages.
Third—That the report mingles in inextricable confusion two separate proceedings and is effective for neither.

Fourth—That no assessment for costs and expenses can be made till the contract for the work is made. Fifth-That the viewers acted under misapprehension of the property owners' right to the natural grade.

The first exception is: That the assess-ments were not made according to benefits but by feet front. The judge says the re-port is not as clear as it should be, and re-fers it back to the viewers for amendment in this respect.

A new trial was granted in the quarter sessions case of the commonwealth against George C. Highfield, charged with embezzlement.

ASSESSMENT WAS ILLEGAL.

Important Decision Handed Down by the Supreme Court,

In disposing of the appeal of Mrs. Alexander Chambers from the decision of the common pless court of Allegheny county, Justice Green, of the supreme court, handed down an im-portant opinion on Saturlay in which he construes the act of 1891 relating to paving, grading, etc., of streets. The act applies to this city as well as Allegheny

The case arose out of the report of a jury of view appointed to assess for the cost of grading, paving and curb-ing of a street in Allegheny county. Under this report the common pleas court of Allegheny county decided that not only properties abutting upon the street improved but others in adjoining streets should be charged with the costs of the improvement when such properties in adjoining streets are benefited by the improvements. The supreme court, in the most vigorous language, reverses this decision, holding it to be dangerous to the community, and also dismisses the petition of the city and all proceedings thereunder and sets them aside at the cost of the city, which sought to have the damages assessed upon adjoining prop-

"In this case," Justice Green says,
"the authority for such an assessment
is claimed to be found in the law of May 16, 1891. It is not at all clear that the legislature ever intended to confer such a power by the act in

question. Then follows an exhaustive review of the act of assembly mentioned. In the phraseology of this act, which refers to the assessing of costs for municipal improvements, are certain clauses which counsel contended must be assessed upon property in the neighborhood of the streets. In this connection Justice Green says that the interpretation that properties on ad-joining streets to the improvement must be assessed "would be so extremely onerous and oppressive, and so will call upon those whose names destructive to property values, that we are desired in this edition and explain would not adopt such a construction by its nature more fully. We trust our live means of a mere implication. Nothing Business men will give it their hearty but a clearly expressed legislative in but a clearly expressed legislative innduce us to declare such a construction on this statute." Justice Green contends that the act does not express such an intention on the part of the

erislature. PECIAL SALE of hair switches at E. M. Hesel's parlor, 330 Lackawanna avenue.

ACTOR'S LOOKING FOR MONEY. Professionals Who Worked at the Eden

Muses Did not Get Any Salary. Jury Compromises, Judge Smith Thinks, Are attaches of the Eden Musee which has been running on Lackawanna avenue since the opening of the fall season held an indignation meeting in the theater at a late hour Saturday right. THE LARKIN VERDICT STANDS Some two months ago Zimmerman & Snyder took hold of the museum and

began to run a burlesque show. Since City's Request for a New Trial Re- then the house has made a great deal of money. Saturday night when the last show was over and the employer called at the office, they found that Manager Snyder was not around and that he had not been seen since the box office closed.

It was announced last night that the



Court made an order Saturday dividing the Second district of the Ninth ward into two election districts. The new or Third district, as it will be known, consists of the territory southeast of Jefferson avenue, and extending to Clay avenue and running north from Olive street to a diagonal line running along and crossing Poplar street. The polling place is at election house on the property of the Owens estate on the northwest side of Adams avenue between Olive and Pine streets, adjoining the property of Jonathan Cordeaux, Charles R erty of Jonathan Cordeaux, Charles R
Fuller was appointed judge and Robert
M. Evans and Arthur H. Christy inspectors of elections. The new Second
district is composed of that part of the
old Second district west of Jefferson
arenne. Elections shall be held at the
booth strandr on Adams avenue ha booth stready on Adams avenue, be-tween Olive and Pine streets. Major John P. Albro will be judge, and Fred W. Fleitz and Thomas H. Ruddy in-spectors of election.

A meeting of the Democratic conferees of Lackawanna township was held Saturday at which the offices were apportioned among the districts as follows: South district-One supervisor, one school director, justice of the peace, one auditor, township treasurer, town clerk. Southwest district—One supervisor, one school director, one constable. Northeast district — One school director, one auditor. sistrict-One school director, one auditor and tax collector. The caucuses between the hours of 4 and 7.

At a caucus held by the Democrats of the Twentieth ward Saturday night, Thomas McGrail was nominated for select council and Daniel Battle for common council.

The citiz-ns of the Twenty-first ward held a cancus on Saturday night at which the following nominations were made: School controller, W. S. Langstaff; alderman, Thomas Kenny; juige of election, John Ward; inspector of election, Michael Roup; register of voters, Elward Leonard. It is the third nomination that Mr. Langstaff has received for school controller of the

Joseph Speicher will oppose Captain William Kellow for the Republican nomination for select council in the Sixteenth ward. The cavous will be held Tuesday night.

Joseph Bristley wants to get back into the city councils. He is a candidate for select council in the Fourteenth ward.

Lieutenant Governor Watres is already enlisted earnestly in the advance manceavres of the Grow boom; and today Representative Scranton and a number of Scrantonians will head an invasion of the stately Lochiel for the purpose of lending a hand to the good cause. Although the situation has not as yet become well defined, there is reason to expect that northeastern Pennsylvania will fare better at Wednesday's convention than has been its wont of recent years.

COUNCILMAN ROBERTS RESIGNS.

Special Meeting of Common Council Called for the Purpose. S. W. Roberts, county commissioner, resigned his position as common coun-cilman from the Eighth ward on Satnrday evening.

A special meeting was called for the purpose. Members Browning, Duhigg and Moir made complimentary addresses, and Mr. Roberts thanked council for its many courtesies.

DIED.

COLEMAN-In Scranton, December 31, at A a. m., Mrs. Catherine H. Coleman, aged 71 years and 6 months. Funeral at 2 p. m. tomorrow from residence of A. H. Colemau, 625 Jefferson avenue. Interment private.

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select and common councilmen, re-sp-ctively, at a caucus held in the First district of the Twentieth ward on Sat-John F. O'Connor, of Pittaton avenue,
The latter did not make much of a showing against the ex-councilman. owing to the fact, perhaps, that his candidacy was not very generally known. For the office of common council D. P. Battle defeated Rob Mc-Crea and James P. Lavelle, the council man being credited with 189 votes. cilman being credited with 189 votes. There were nearly 300 votes polled, which is about one-third of the regular vote of the ward

Irjured While at Work. Patrick Campbell, residing on Stone avenue, in the Twentieth ward, was seriously injured yesterday while in the discharge of his duties. He is em-ployed as a trimmer by the Electric Light and Heat company and the lights in the South works are in his territory. While trimming the last light he fell a distance of twelve feet, striking on his left side. He was badly injured about the hip and knee, but, notwithstanding his injuries, he refused the use of a con reyance to take him him lest his family might be alarmed.

The New Polish Church. The remodelled church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary is rapidly nearing completion. It will be ready for occupancy some time this month, but the dedication services will not take place till Washington's birthday, Feb. This is the date decided on by Father Aust, although if not suited to the convenience of Right Reverend Bishop O'Harait will be changed.

Shorter Paragraphs. If you have any leisure moments this afternoon, drop down to the rooms of the Young Women's Christian Association on Cedar avenue and attend the New Years reception. It will be informal, you are cordially invited, and a delightful time is guaranteed. There will be refreshments and music by an orchestra as well as vocal selec

C. J. Scheuer, of Pottsville, is spaniing New Year's with his family on Cedar avenue. Mrs. George Panman, of Pittsburg, is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Warren Dunning, of Brook

The Union Dancing class is the name of an organization that meets every Friday evening at Columbia hall on South Wyoming avenue. John Mullarkey is instructor.

Williams' City Directory, 1894. The canvassers for patronage for the thereatened this old reliable work by outide parties who have had no experience in this difficult branch of book-making, either as employes or publishers. Williams' Scranton Directory for the past seven Scranton Directory for the past seven years has given good satisfaction. In 1886, at the request of the Scranton board of trade, Mr. Williams came to Scranton to publish the city directory. At that time it was a book of less than 500 pages, now it has nearly 900 pages, and the 1894 work will contain over 900 pages. Previous to his advent the directory was printed in New York; ever since it has been done in this city, and all the money expended in this city, and all the money expended in publishing the work has been paid out here. Among the new features to be aided this year are a new colored map of the city, and an improved system of Street Directory, giving the numbers at which each street crosses thus making it more easy to locate any house or street in the city. We hope the enterprising publisher, Mr. Williams, will be encouraged by the business men of our city in his effort to furnish us with a directory ahead of any in the commonwealth.

NOTICE.

Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., Notice to

the Public. Commencing Monday, January 1st, 1894, passenger trains of this company to and from New York, Jersey City and Newark will run via west Newark, using the Pennsylvania railroad tracks between that point and Jersey City. Passengers will therefore on and after the above date take the Pennsylvania railroad from the foot of Courtland and Desbrosses streets, New York city, instead of the Liberty Street ferry of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. Passengers from Newark will take the Lehigh Valley trains at the Market Street station of the Pennsylvania railroad. Slight change in time.

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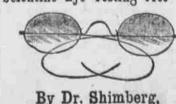


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